

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

MEDIA ALERT

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Washington...

**ROADWAY SHOULDER WORK CONTINUES ON
STATE ROUTE 80 IN WILKES COUNTY**

WHEN: 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday, May 7, continuing through Thursday, May 11, weather permitting

WHERE: State Route 80, mile marker 4.8-5; shoulder work to reclaim right of way

WHAT: GA DOT maintenance crews have scheduled to continue roadway shoulder work to reclaim right of way on State Route 80 in Wilkes County. This work is tentatively scheduled daily between 7 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., weather permitting.

A single lane closure and/or flagman may be utilized for this work. Motorists should reduce their speed in these and all work zones.

Each day, hundreds of Georgia Department of Transportation employees and contractors work on dozens of highway, bridge and intersection improvements throughout the state. Their work often brings them and heavy machinery in close proximity to travel lanes. Fifty-seven Georgia DOT personnel and many more motorists, passengers and contractors' workers have been killed in highway work zone accidents since 1973. Please help us prevent these tragedies by slowing down; being especially attentive and cautious as you pass through construction work zones; and always driving responsibly. Safer Driving; Safer Work Zones; For Everyone. For information on the Department of Transportation, visit (www.dot.ga.gov); you also may follow Georgia DOT on [Facebook](http://www.facebook.com/GeorgiaDOT) (<http://www.facebook.com/GeorgiaDOT>) and [Twitter](http://twitter.com/gadeptrans) (<http://twitter.com/gadeptrans>).